



## July 2023 Labor Market Review

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## Economic Growth Region 6

Statistical Data Report for July 2023, Released September 2023

### State Employment and Unemployment

#### STATE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT -- JULY 2023

Unemployment rates were lower in July in 7 states, higher in 3 states, and stable in 40 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Twenty-three states had jobless rate decreases from a year earlier, 5 states and the District had increases, and 22 states had little change. The national unemployment rate, 3.5 percent, changed little over the month and was the same as in July 2022. Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 4 states and was essentially unchanged in 46 states and the District of Columbia in July 2023. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment increased in 36 states and was essentially unchanged in 14 states and the District.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



### Economic Growth Region (EGR) 6

Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Henry, Jay, Randolph, Rush, Union, and Wayne Counties

### Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): July 2023

**U.S. - 3.5%**

Illinois - 4%

**Indiana - 3.3%**

Kentucky - 3.8%

Michigan - 3.6%

Ohio - 3.3%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

### Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): July 2023

#2 - Fayette (5.6%)

#5 - Delaware (5%)

#10 - Blackford (4.5%)

#26 - Wayne (4.1%)

#33 - Henry (3.9%)

#38 - Jay (3.8%)

#40 - Randolph (3.8%)

#73 - Union (3.3%)

#79 - Rush (3.2%)

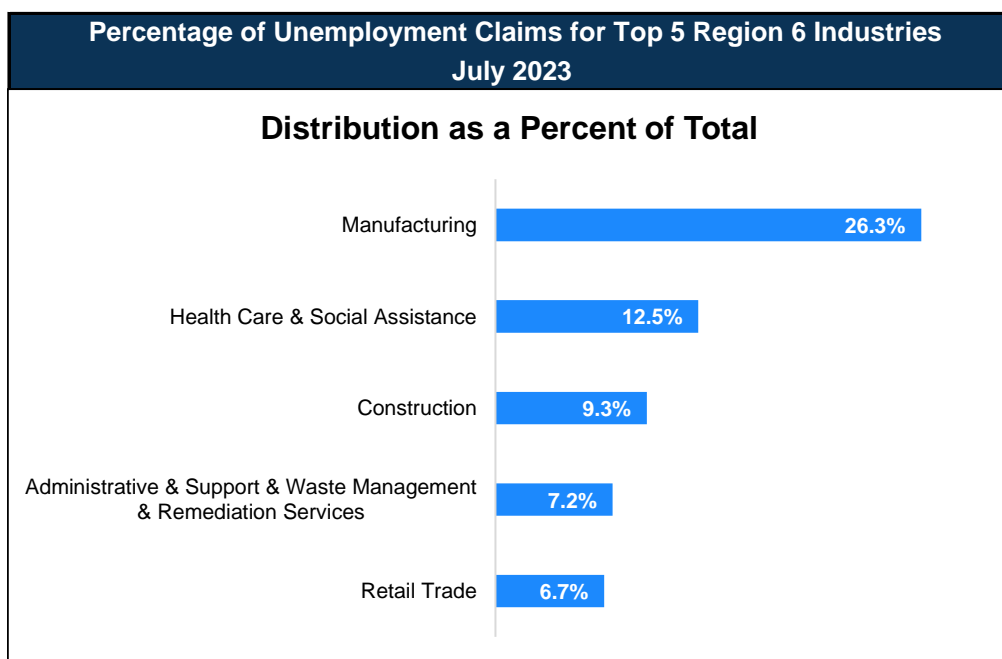
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

July 2023 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)						
Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Jul-23	Jun-23	Jul-22
U.S.	168,354,000	161,982,000	6,372,000	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%
IN	3,459,605	3,321,627	137,978	4.0%	3.7%	3.3%
EGR 6	150,000	143,477	6,523	4.3%	4.0%	3.7%
Muncie MSA	50,645	48,125	2,520	5.0%	4.5%	4.1%
Blackford Co.	4,805	4,587	218	4.5%	4.2%	4.0%
Delaware Co.	50,645	48,125	2,520	5.0%	4.5%	4.1%
Fayette Co.	8,280	7,819	461	5.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Henry Co.	22,350	21,473	877	3.9%	3.8%	3.5%
Jay Co.	9,188	8,839	349	3.8%	3.2%	3.0%
Randolph Co.	11,791	11,344	447	3.8%	3.3%	3.2%
Rush Co.	9,343	9,043	300	3.2%	3.0%	2.7%
Union Co.	3,776	3,651	125	3.3%	3.4%	2.7%
Wayne Co.	29,822	28,596	1,226	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%
Connersville	4,214	3,942	272	6.5%	5.6%	6.2%
Muncie	29,219	27,612	1,607	5.5%	5.1%	4.5%
New Castle	7,692	7,338	354	4.6%	4.3%	3.7%
Richmond	14,586	13,895	691	4.7%	4.3%	3.9%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released: 08/23 | Notes: The data displayed are presented as estimates only. The most recent month's data are always preliminary and are revised when the next month's data are released.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to July 2023 from				
CPI Item	Jul-22	Jun-23	Jul-22	Jun-23
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	3.2%	0.2%	2.9%	0.3%
Food & Beverages	4.8%	0.3%	5.1%	0.3%
Housing	6.2%	0.3%	5.6%	0.8%
Apparel	3.2%	-1.0%	3.1%	-0.3%
Transportation	-3.0%	0.2%	-2.4%	-0.6%
Medical Care	-0.5%	-0.1%	-0.4%	0.3%
Recreation	4.1%	0.1%	5.4%	-0.2%
Education & Communication	1.2%	0.0%	1.4%	0.1%
Other Goods & Services	6.1%	0.1%	6.5%	0.8%

\*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin | Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

## WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 6 for July 2023				
Company	City	County	# of workers affected	Notice Date

**There are no WARN Notices for July 2023 for EGR 6.**

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, WARN Notices | For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet:

<https://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

## Unemployment Claims: July 2023

### Region 6

#### Initial Claims

07/01/23 - 96(D)

07/08/23 - 122(D)

07/15/23 - 54(D)

07/22/23 - 71(D)

07/29/23 - 56(D)

#### Continued Claims

07/01/23 - 560

07/08/23 - 119

07/15/23 - 554

07/22/23 - 532

07/29/23 - 542

#### Total Claims

07/01/23 - 656

07/08/23 - 241

07/15/23 - 608

07/22/23 - 603

07/29/23 - 598

### State of Indiana

#### Initial Claims

07/01/23 - 4,505

07/08/23 - 5,033

07/15/23 - 3,673

07/22/23 - 3,081

07/29/23 - 2,720

#### Continued Claims

07/01/23 - 24,820

07/08/23 - 22,615

07/15/23 - 21,191

07/22/23 - 19,558

07/29/23 - 19,459

#### Total Claims

07/01/23 - 29,325

07/08/23 - 27,648

07/15/23 - 24,864

07/22/23 - 22,639

07/29/23 - 22,179

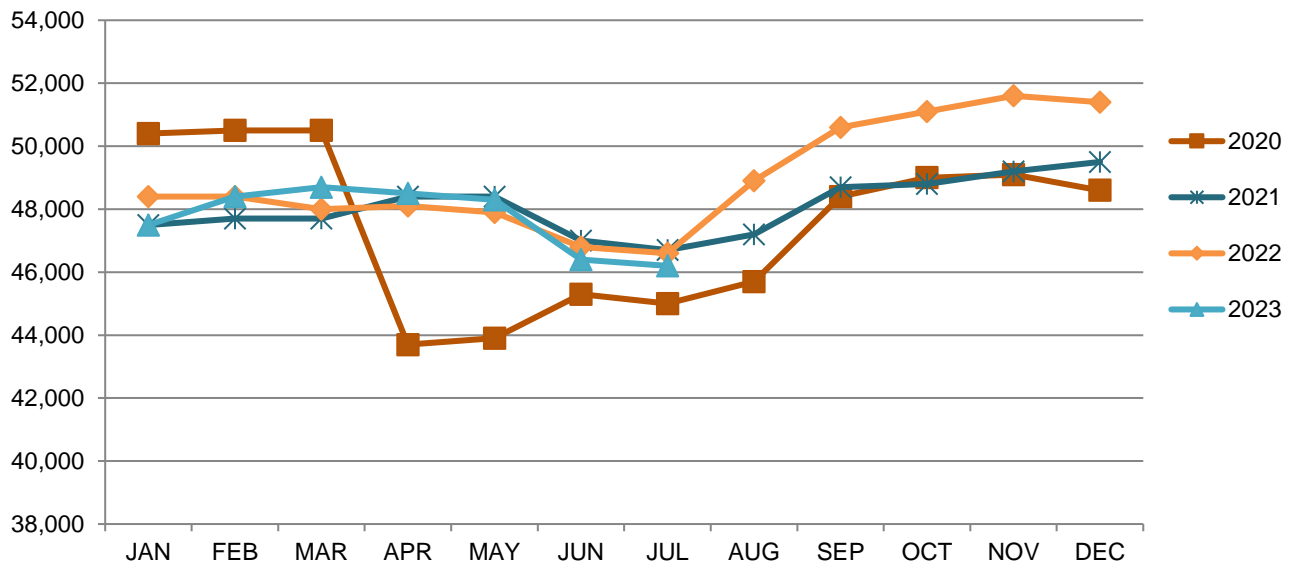
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Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Development

Muncie MSA							
Wage and Salaried Employment	July 2023			# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Industry	Jul-23	Jun-23	Jul-22	Jun-23 to Jul-23		Jul-22 to Jul-23	
<b>Total Nonfarm</b>	<b>46,200</b>	<b>46,400</b>	<b>46,600</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>-400</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>
<b>Total Private</b>	<b>37,600</b>	<b>37,500</b>	<b>38,100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>-500</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>
Goods Producing	5,500	5,300	5,400	200	3.8%	100	1.9%
Service-Providing	40,700	41,100	41,200	-400	-1.0%	-500	-1.2%
Private Service Providing	32,100	32,200	32,700	-100	-0.3%	-600	-1.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	1,700	1,600	1,600	100	6.3%	100	6.3%
Manufacturing	3,800	3,700	3,800	100	2.7%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	8,300	8,300	8,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.0%	100	8.3%
Retail Trade	5,900	5,900	5,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	1,100	1,100	1,200	0	0.0%	-100	-8.3%
Information	300	300	400	0	0.0%	-100	-25.0%
Financial Activities	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	9,500	9,500	9,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	0.0%	100	1.9%
Other Services	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	8,600	8,900	8,500	-300	-3.4%	100	1.2%
State Government	5,000	5,300	4,700	-300	-5.7%	300	6.4%
State Government Educational Services	4,800	5,100	4,500	-300	-5.9%	300	6.7%
State Government Excluding Education	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,200	3,300	3,300	-100	-3.0%	-100	-3.0%
Local Government Educational Services	1,600	1,700	1,600	-100	-5.9%	0	0.0%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	1,600	1,600	1,700	0	0.0%	-100	-5.9%

Source: Indiana Dept of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

### Muncie MSA Employment Trends



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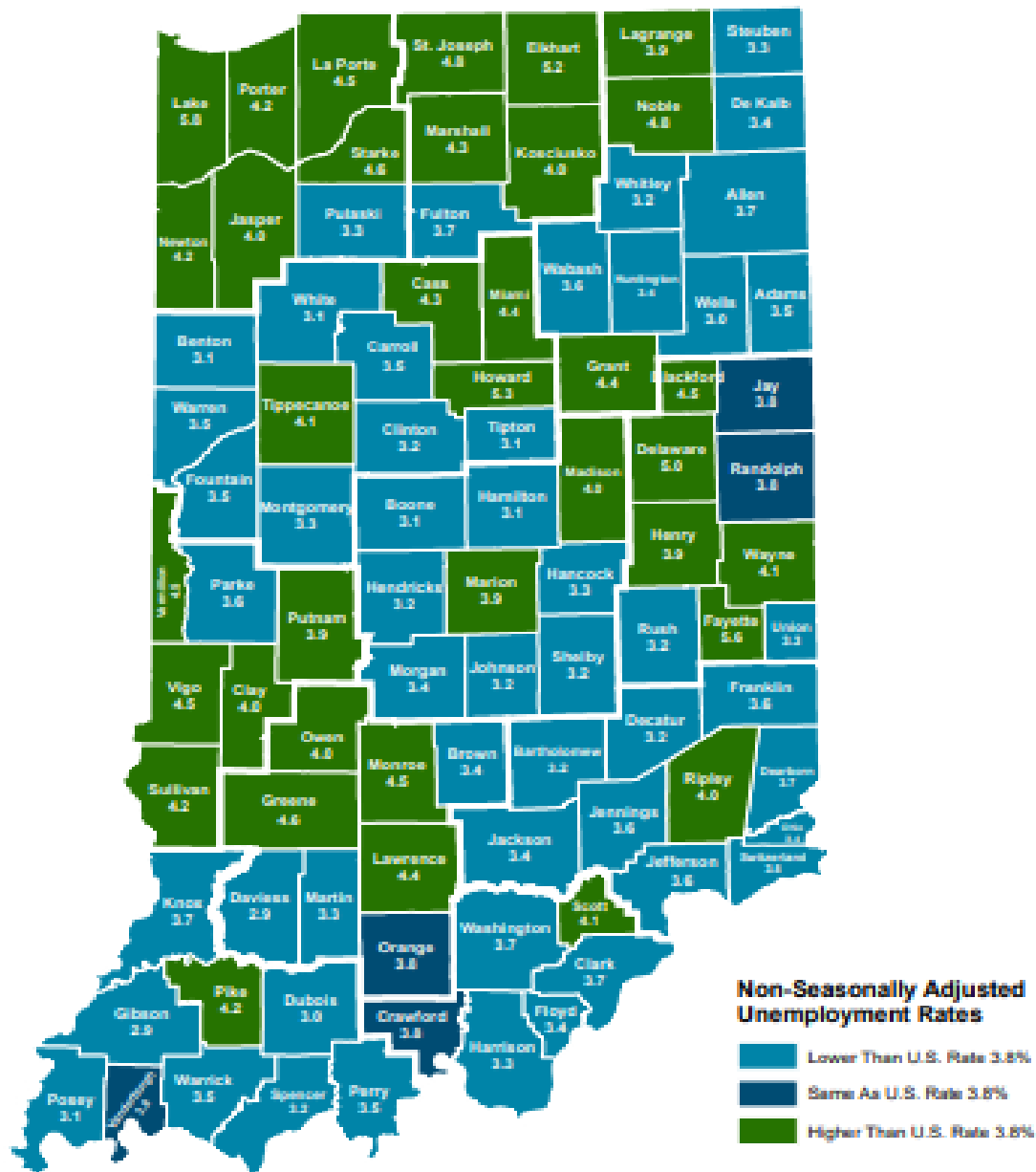
Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings in Region 6 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	Registered Nurses
2	Nursing Assistants
3	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
4	Social and Human Service Assistants
5	Construction Laborers
6	Career/Technical Education Teachers, Postsecondary
7	Bill and Account Collectors
8	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners
9	Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers
10	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
11	Food Preparation Workers
12	Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers
13	Production Workers, All Other
14	Tellers
15	Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers
16	Speech-Language Pathologists
17	Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary
18	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists
19	Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary
20	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of Job Postings
Production Workers, All Other	1,242
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	838
Helpers--Production Workers	542
Cashiers	457
Customer Service Representatives	448
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	361
Office Clerks, General	258
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	243
Team Assemblers	203
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	188
Construction Laborers	185
Waiters and Waitresses	184
Managers, All Other	180
Packers and Packagers, Hand	179
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	173
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	171
Electrical and Electronic Equipment Assemblers	166
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	164
Extraction Workers, All Other	163
Retail Salespersons	162

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## County Unemployment Rates July 2023 - Non Seasonally Adjusted



Indiana Non-Seasonally Adjusted Rate 4.0%  
 Indiana Seasonally Adjusted Rate 3.3%  
 Source: DWD, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



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### Questions?

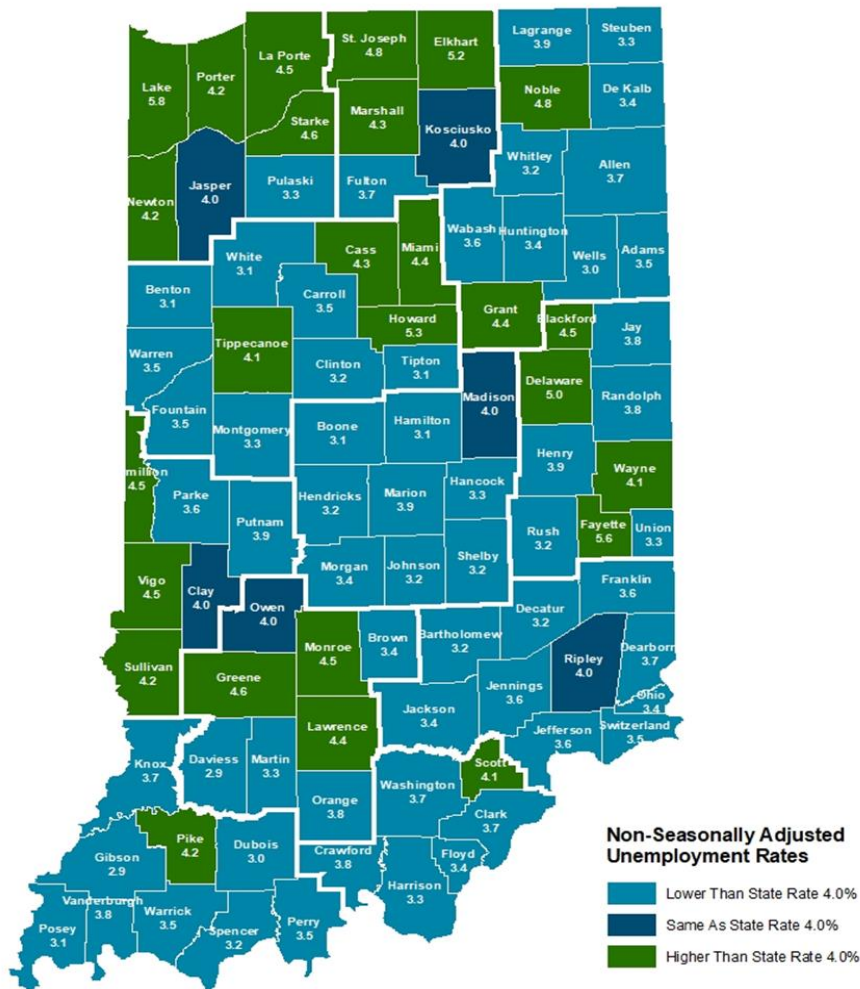
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